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SUBJECT: GOE CONFIRMS 200 MILE LOS POSITION

FOR: USUN LOS MISSION

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1. IN RESPONSE TO ACCUSATIONS THAT "PIRATE" FISHING VESSELS ARE OPERATING IN FORCE IN ECUADOREAN CLAIMED WATERS, THE GOE HAS ISSUED STATEMENTS RECONFIRMING ITS 200 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA POSITION. PRESS CONVERAGE INDICATES THAT FOREIGN MINISTER GENERAL CARLOS AGUIRRE HAS STATED THAT ECUADOR'S 200 MILE POSITION IS "UNALTERABLE" AND THAT THE COUNTRY WILL CONTINUE ITS DEFENSE OF ITS SOVEREIGN RIGHTS IN THAT 200 MILE AREA.

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2. THE MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE NAVY HAVE

CONFIRMED THAT ECUADOR IS DEFENDING ITS 200 MILE SEA AND THAT ANY VESSEL ILLEGALLY FISHING IN THOSE WATERS WILL BE CAPTURED.

3. MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES, COL. JAIME DUENAS, SAID IN A NOV. 6 SPEECH INAUGURATING A SEMINAR ON QUALITY CONTROL IN FISHING THAT ECUADOR IS DEPENDENT ON DEVELOPED COUNTRIES FOR TECHNOLOGY AND THAT THE GOE, WITH PRIVATE SECTOR, IS FORMULATING A POLICY OF APPLYING THE ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY BEING USED BY OTHER COUNTRIES IN ORDER TO MORE EFFECTIVELY EXPLOIT ECUADOR'S RESOURCES. DELIVERED IN THE CONTEXT OF A SEMINAR ON FISHING, DUENAS' COMMENTS PARALLEL EL COMERCIO'S EDITORIAL POSITION (REFTEL B) WHICH COMMENTED ON THE NECESSITY OF BUILDING UP AND MODERNIZING THE COUNTRY'S FISHING FLEET.

4. COMMENT: THE ENTIRE EPISODE OF THE SO-CALLED "PIRATE" FISHING VESSELS HAS LIKELY HAD THE CONSEQUENCE OF INCREASING THE PUBLIC PRESSURES UPON THE GOE TO POLICE FIRMLY ITS 200 MILE CLAIMED SEA.
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